

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Auditor-Controller
Chief Administrative Officer
Director of Children and Family Services
Director of Health Services
Director of Mental Health
Director of Public Social Services

At its meeting held June 27, 2006, the Board took the following action:

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The following item was called up for consideration:

The Director of Public Social Services' recommendation to approve and instruct the Mayor to sign sole-source contract with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority at a total maximum contract cost of \$3 million, to provide outreach and emergency shelter services to homeless CalWORKs Welfare-to-Work participants, effective July 1, 2006 or the day after Board approval, whichever is later, through June 30, 2007, with option to extend for two additional one-ear periods; authorize the Director to extend the agreements for two additional one-ear periods in amount of \$3 million per fiscal year, and to prepare and execute amendments to the contract for any increase of no more than 15% of the total contract amount when the change is necessitated by additional and necessary services that are required in order for the contractor to comply with changes in Federal, State or County requirements; also authorize the Director to provide advance payments to enable the contractor to expend and to cover contractor's operation/administrative costs, not to exceed one-twelfth of the contract amount or \$250,000, to be fully recouped by June 30, 2007.

Bryce Yokomizo, Director of Public Social Services, addressed the Board.

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Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

"The Outreach, Emergency Shelter and Services Program managed by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) serves homeless CalWORKs families throughout Los Angeles County by providing shelter and case-management services. However, LAHSA homeless programs are not streamlined or integrated to effectively support CalWORKs families. In addition, shelter subcontractors are not paid timely by LAHSA, and the data needed to track these families is limited and not comprehensive.

"The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority has undergone major organizational changes in the last several months and the County continues to work to help strengthen their infrastructure. However, we must ensure that CalWORKs families and their children are receiving the appropriate services under the outreach, emergency shelter and services programs under LAHSA."

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Molina, unanimously carried, the Board took the following actions:

- Adopted the Director of Public Social Services' attached recommendation; and
- 2. Instructed the Director of Public Social Services to work in collaboration with the Directors of Children and Family Services, Mental Health, Health Services, the Chief Administrative Officer and Auditor-Controller to:
 - Conduct a feasibility study to determine what, if any, services can be moved from the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) to a County department;
 - Work with LAHSA to create a streamlined invoice and payment process to quickly verify eligibility status for clients transitioning into permanent housing;
 - Develop a more comprehensive tracking system of CalWORKs homeless families who are placed in shelters, homeless family housing programs, emergency shelters, transitional and permanent housing; and

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• Report back within 60 days with the results of the feasibility study and the progress made in each of the other areas.

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Attachment

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